

## Eddie Sleeper

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**From:** Carolyn Mudge <cjmudge@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, January 14, 2018 7:32 PM  
**To:** Rep. Gary Glenn (District 98); Rep. Roger Hauck (District 99); Rep. Tom Barrett (District 71); Rep. Triston Cole (District 105); Rep. Jim Tedder (District 43); Rep. Jim Tedder (District 43); Rep. Diana Farrington (District 30); Rep. Beth Griffin (District 66); Rep. Steven Johnson (District 72); Rep. Beau LaFave (District 108); Rep. James Lower (District 70); Rep. John Reilly (District 46); Rep. Donna Lasinski (District 52); Rep. Scott Dianda (District 110); Rep. LaTanya Garrett (District 7); Rep. Darrin Camilleri (District 23); Rep. Brian Elder (District 96); Rep. Patrick Green (District 28); Rep. Tim Sneller (District 50); Eddie Sleeper  
**Subject:** The Smart Meter Battle  
**Attachments:** DTE Response 5pg.pages; MPSC LETTER.docx

Our battle with DTE began in September of 2015. We had received an unsigned letter that began with "Dear DTE Electric Customer" and told us that DTE electric meters in homes and businesses in our area are being replaced at no cost to us and will only take a few minutes to install. We responded with a letter that we did not want a smart meter

The next communication from DTE came in early December of 2016, and our response to that letter is attached and was copied to the MPSC.

There was never a scheduled date for a shut-off. On May 16, 2017, an aggressive, intimidating female DTE employee showed up at the door with two men ready to replace the meter or cut the power. She said a letter had been sent, but the last letter we received was in early December 2016 (to which we responded). She informed me they were here to install the new smart meter - and I think she offered me the opt-out, but I'm not sure. I was home alone and could not take off the iron "cage" that we had put over the meter - the lock was frozen (rusted). So they cut the power at the pole at the back of my yard. Later that day I called the number she gave me and asked about the opt out meter. We don't want and don't trust the opt-out meter, but we were without power. Power was restored with the opt-out meter on May 19, the Friday of that week.

Regards,

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December 9, 2016

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Re: Smart Meter Installation

Dear Sir or Madam:

This week I received a letter from DTE Energy threatening to disconnect our service on or after December 19, 2016, if we do not allow DTE to install the new Smart Meter. This issue actually began a couple years ago and I have grave concerns about a smart meter installation. I refused this new meter because, even with the opt-out program, exposure to RF's is not completely omitted. Because of the cumulative effects of radiation exposure, there is really no safe level.

Since our initial refusal of this meter, I have been diagnosed with Parkinson's Disease and am now being treated for Parkinson's as well as radiation poisoning, both of which are likely the result of two tours of duty in Vietnam working in microwave communications.

I am replying today to DTE to request that they allow me to keep my analog meter and to report my own energy usage for billing purposes as allowed by the Public Service Commission (Rule 15 – Consumer Standards and Billing Practices).

My question to the MPSC is this: Can DTE actually cut off my service if I refuse the Smart Meter installation? For over 40 years I've paid my bill on time and had no service problems. I want to protect my health and keep my analog meter.

Sincerely,

Garry F. Mudge

Att: DTE Letter